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3 p.m. . . . . Consultations of the whole (closed) . . . . . Consultations Room

Democratic Republic of the Congo

Burundi

Other matters

General Assembly

Fifty-ninth session

General Committee

9–10 a.m. . . . . Conference Room 5

Fifth informal meeting (closed) to discuss matters relating to the revitalization of the work of the General Assembly and other matters

Main Committees

First Committee

9.30 a.m.–12.30 p.m. . . 21st meeting . . . . . Conference Room 2

Action on all draft resolutions submitted under disarmament and international security agenda items (items 57–72): *item 58* (A/C.1/59/L.55/Rev.2); *item 65* (A/59/117, A/59/117/Add.1, A/59/118, A/59/119, A/59/127, A/59/127/Add.1, A/59/127/Corr.1, A/59/128, A/59/128/Add.1, A/59/129, A/59/132, A/59/132/Add.1, A/59/132/Add.2, A/59/132/Add.2/Corr.1, A/59/132/Add.3, A/59/132/Add.4, A/59/132/Add.5, A/59/136, A/59/137, A/59/137/Add.1, A/59/156, A/59/156/Add.1, A/59/178, A/59/178/Add.1, A/59/179, A/59/181, A/59/193, A/59/278, A/59/278/Corr.1, A/59/364, A/C.1/59/L.1, A/C.1/59/L.13, A/C.1/59/L.30, A/C.1/59/L.34, A/C.1/59/L.43/Rev.1, A/C.1/59/L.45/Rev.2, A/C.1/59/L.49/Rev.2*, A/C.1/59/L.53/Rev.1, A/C.1/59/L.56, A/C.1/59/L.57, A/C.1/59/L.58 and A/C.1/59/L.59); and *item 72* (A/C.1/59/L.17/Rev.1)

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Other documents (A/C.1/59/1, A/C.1/59/2, A/C.1/59/3*, A/C.1/59/4, A/C.1/59/INF/1, A/C.1/59/INF/1/Add.1, A/C.1/59/INF/2, A/C.1/59/INF/2/Add.1*, A/C.1/59/INF/2/Add.2, A/C.1/59/INF/2/Add.3*, A/C.1/59/INF/2/Add.4*, A/C.1/59/INF/2/Add.5, A/C.1/59/INF/2/Add.6* and A/C.1/59/INF/2/Add.7)

Second Committee

9.30 a.m.–12.30 p.m. . . 23rd meeting . . . . . Conference Room 4

1. Globalization and interdependence . . . . . [87]

(e) Integration of the economies in transition into the world economy

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.19

2. Information and communication technologies for development . . . . . [44]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2.59/L.18

3. Macroeconomic policy questions (A/59/80-E/2004/61, A/59/80/Corr.1-E/2004/61/Corr.1, A/59/115 and A/59/155-E/2004/96) . . . . . [83]

(a) International trade and development (A/59/15 (Parts I-V), A/59/305 and A/59/369)

(d) Commodities (A/59/304)

Continuation of general discussion

2.30–5.30 p.m. . . . . 24th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 4

Macroeconomic policy questions (A/59/80-E/2004/61, A/59/80/Corr.1-E/2004/61/Corr.1, A/59/115 and A/59/155-E/2004/96) . . . . . [83]

(a) International trade and development (A/59/15 (Parts I-V), A/59/305 and A/59/369)

(d) Commodities (A/59/304)

Continuation and conclusion of general discussion

Third Committee

9.30 a.m.–12.30 p.m. . . 35th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1

2.30–5.30 p.m. . . . . 36th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1

Elimination of racism and racial discrimination . . . . . [103]

(a) Elimination of racism and racial discrimination (A/59/18, A/59/275, A/59/276, A/59/330, A/59/329, A/59/425[1] and A/C.3/59/4[1])

(b) Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action (A/59/375 and A/C.3/59/4[1])

Right of peoples to self-determination (A/59/66-S/2004/219, A/59/191, A/59/376, A/59/425[1] and A/59/427-S/2004/806) . . . . . [104]

Introductory statement, "question time" and dialogue with Secretariat officials

[1] To be issued.

Introductory statement by, and dialogue with, the Special Rapporteur on contemporary forms of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance

Introductory statement by, and dialogue with, the Special Rapporteur on the question of the use of mercenaries as a means of violating human rights and impeding the exercise of the right of peoples to self-determination

General discussion

Fifth Committee

9.30 a.m. . . . . 19th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 3

1. Programme budget for the biennium 2004-2005 . . . . . [108]

Strengthened and unified security management system for the United Nations (A/59/365, A/59/365/Corr.1, A/59/365/Add.1, A/59/365/Add.1/Corr.1, A/59/539 and A/59/396)

Continuation of general discussion

2. Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services (A/59/359 and A/58/785) . . . . . [118]

Continuation of general discussion

Morning[1]–12.30 p.m. . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 106 (Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors (A/59/5 (Vol. I), A/59/5 (Vol. III), A/59/5 (Vol. IV), A/59/5/Add.1, A/59/5/Add.2, A/59/5/Add.3, A/59/5/Add.4, A/59/5/Add.5, A/59/5/Add.6, A/59/5/Add.7, A/59/5/Add.8, A/59/5/Add.9, A/59/5/Add.10, A/59/5/Add.11, A/59/5/Add.12, A/59/A/59/161, A/59/162, A/59/318, A/59/318/Add.1 and A/59/400))

[1] Following the adjournment of the 19th meeting of the Committee.

Sixth Committee

9.30 a.m.–12.30 p.m. . . 19th meeting . . . . . Trusteeship Council Chamber

Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its fifty-sixth session (A/59/10) . . . . . [144]

Observer status for the South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation in the General Assembly (A/59/234 and A/C.6/59/L.21) . . . . . [162]

Introduction of agenda item 162

2.30–5.30 p.m. . . . . 20th meeting . . . . . Trusteeship Council Chamber

Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its fifty-sixth session (A/59/10) . . . . . [144]

General Assembly

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10

1. Capital Master Plan
2. Conditions of service and compensation for officials other than Secretariat officials
3. Draft reports

General Assembly

Fifty-ninth session

Informal consultations on agenda item 49 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 49 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea) will be held *today*, 3 November 2004, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

Second Committee

Briefing

There will be a briefing on United Nations reform issues related to the Triennial Comprehensive Policy Review (TCPR) of operational activities for development, organized by the Permanent Mission of Canada, *today*, 3 November 2004, from 8.30 to 9.30 a.m. in Conference Room 7. Members of all Permanent Missions are invited to attend.

Informal "informals"

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Xolisa Mabhongo (South Africa), on the draft resolution on agenda item 85 (f) (Convention on Biological Diversity), will be held *today*, 3 November 2004, from 9.30 to 11 a.m. in Conference Room C.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. George Talbot (Guyana), on the draft resolution on agenda item 83 (b) (International financial system and development), will be held *today*, 3 November 2004, from 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Mark Ramsden (New Zealand), on the draft resolution on agenda item 85 (b) (Further implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States), will be held *today*, 3 November 2004, from 11 to 12.30 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Kumar Gupta (Canada), on the draft resolution on agenda item 86 (Implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II) and of the twenty-fifth special session of the General Assembly), will be held *today*, 3 November 2004, from 12.45 to 2.15 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Gabriel Cremades, (Spain) on the draft resolution on freshwater (under agenda item 85 (a)), will be held *today*, 3 November 2004, from 1.30 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. José Briz Gutiérrez (Guatemala), on the draft resolution on agenda item 83 (c) (External debt crisis and development), will be held *today*, 3 November 2004, from 2.30 to 5.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Paul Lolo (Nigeria), on the draft resolution on agenda item 85 (e) (Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa), will be held *today*, 3 November 2004, from 2.30 to 4 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Félix Mbayu (Cameroon), on the draft resolution on agenda item 84 (Follow-up to and implementation of the outcome of the International Conference on Financing for Development), will be held *today*, 3 November 2004, from 2.45 to 5.30 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Ms. Irena Zubčević (Croatia), on the draft resolution on agenda item 85 (a) (Implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development), will be held *today*, 3 November 2004, from 4 to 5.30 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Economic and Social Council

Informal "informals"

There will be informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Xolisa Mabhongo (South Africa), on science and technology for development (item 13 (b)) and on the report of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development on its seventh session (E/2004/31, Suppl. No. 11), *today*, 3 November 2004, from 3 to 4 p.m. in Conference Room C-209B.

There will be informal "informals" on the long-term programme of support for Haiti and the Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Haiti (under item 7 (d)), *today*, 3 November 2004, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room S-2963D.

Other meetings

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Wednesday, 3 November 2004

2004 United Nations Programme of Fellowships on Disarmament

9 a.m.–1 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room E
2–6 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room E

JUSCANZ Group *(Third Committee)*

9–9.30 a.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room A

Group of the Least Developed Countries *(pending issues before the resumed session of the Economic and Social Council; Second Committee draft resolution on the least developed countries; and preparation for the World Conference on Disaster Reduction (18-22 January, Japan))*

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Economic and Social Council Chamber

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Group of 77 *(draft resolution on macroeconomic policy questions: trade and development)*

10 a.m.–12.30 p.m. . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room A

Group of 77 *(core group on eradication of poverty and other development issues: implementation of the first United Nations Decade for the eradication of poverty (1997-2006))*

12.30–2.15 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 3

Group of 77 *(coordinating meeting on sustainable development)*

12.45–2.15 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 9

Group of 77 *(Fifth Committee matters)*

12.45–2.15 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 5

2.30–4.30 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 5

Group of 77 *(macroeconomic issues and financing for development issues)*

1.15–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Trusteeship Council Chamber

Group of 77 *(resumed substantive session of the Economic and Social Council: coordination segment; item 6 (b) (Implementation of and follow-up to major United Nations conferences and summits: review and coordination of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2001-2010); item 10 (Regional cooperation); item 12 (Non-governmental organizations); item 13 (Economic and environmental questions); 13 (a) (Sustainable development): decision to revert to the issue of the smooth transition strategy for countries graduating from least developed country status; and of the report of the Committee for Development Policy on its sixth session, to build further on the elements for draft resolutions; item 13 (b) (Science and technology); item 13 (g) (Committee of Experts on Public Administration); item 13 (h) (International cooperation in tax matters); item 7 (d) (Long-term programme of support for Haiti): Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Haiti; and Second Committee matters: draft resolution on macroeconomic policy questions: commodities)*

2.30–5.30 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room A

Open-ended informal consultations on a Third Committee draft resolution on the Declaration on the Right and Responsibility of Individuals, Groups and Organs of Society to Promote and Protect Universally Recognized Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms (under agenda item 105 (b)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Norway)

10–11.30 a.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room B

Meeting of co-sponsors on a Third Committee draft resolution on the Declaration on the Right and Responsibility of Individuals, Groups and Organs of Society to promote and protect Universally Recognized Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms (under item 105 (b)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Norway)

11.30 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room B

Informal consultations on a Third Committee draft resolution on the promotion of religious and cultural understanding, harmony and cooperation (organized by the Permanent Mission of Pakistan)

1.15–2.45p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Economic and Social Council Chamber

Informal consultations on a Third Committee draft resolution on extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions (organized by the Permanent Mission of Finland)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 3

Informal consultations on a Third Committee draft resolution entitled "Follow-up to the Second World Assembly on Ageing" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Qatar)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 7

Informal consultations on a Third Committee draft resolution entitled "Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees" (under agenda item 100) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Norway)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room B

Open-ended informal consultations on a Third Committee draft resolution on the "Rights of the child" (organized by the Permanent Missions of Argentina and Brazil)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room D

Informal consultations on a Third Committee draft resolution entitled "The right to food" (under agenda item 105 (b)) and on a draft resolution entitled "Respect for the right to universal freedom of travel and the vital importance of family reunification" (under agenda item 105 (b)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Cuba)

4–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1 (Suite of offices)

Arab Group *(ambassadorial level)*

12 noon–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room D

Open-ended informal consultations on improving the effectiveness of the methods of work of the First Committee (organized by the Permanent Mission of Indonesia)

1–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 2

Alliance of Small Island States (AOSIS)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Economic and Social Council Chamber

UNITAR French-language workshop on the structure, drafting and adoption of United Nations resolutions

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 9

United Nations Administrative Tribunal

The United Nations Administrative Tribunal will hold closed meetings *today*, 3 November 2004, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in room DC2-0461.

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm.

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Room S-226

Guest at 12 noon . . . . Mr. Peter Hansen, Commissioner-General of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA)

Forthcoming official meetings

Thursday, 4 November 2004

General Assembly

Fifty-ninth session

10 a.m. . . . . 49th plenary meeting . . . . . General Assembly Hall

Report of the International Court of Justice . . . . . [13]

(a) Report of the International Court of Justice (A/59/4)

(b) Report of the Secretary-General (A/59/372)

Main Committees

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

The Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) will take up agenda item 76 (Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories), beginning on Monday, 8 November 2004. Delegations wishing to participate in the general debate on the item are urged to inscribe their names on the list of speakers as soon as possible (room S-2977; tel. 1 (917) 367-3189).

Second Committee

Informal "informals"

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. José Briz Gutiérrez (Guatemala), on the draft resolution on agenda item 83 (c) (External debt crisis and development), will be held on Thursday, 4 November 2004, from 9.30 a.m. to 2.30 p.m., in a conference room to be announced in the *Journal*.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Ms. Ulrika Cronenberg-Mossberg (Sweden), on the draft resolution on agenda item 85 (Sustainable development), will be held on Thursday, 4 November 2004, from 10 to 12.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Gustavo Ainchil (Argentina), on the draft resolution on agenda item 85 (d) (Protection of global climate for present and future generations of mankind), will be held on Thursday, 4 November 2004, from 11 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Paul Lolo (Nigeria), on the draft resolution on agenda item 85 (e) (Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa), will be held on Thursday, 4 November 2004, from 12.30 to 1.30 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Stefano Toscano (Switzerland), on the draft resolutions on agenda item 85 (c) (International Strategy for Disaster Reduction) and on international cooperation to reduce the impact of the El Niño phenomenon, will be held on Thursday, 4 November 2004, from 2.30 to 4 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Juraj Kosdelka (Czech Republic), on the draft resolution on natural disasters and vulnerability (under agenda item 85 (c)), will be held on Thursday, 4 November 2004, from 4 to 5.30 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Keynote address

A keynote address to the Second Committee delegates on the Millennium Development Goals will be made by Professor Jeffrey Sachs, Director of The Earth Institute and Special Advisor to the Secretary-General on the Millennium Development Goals, on Tuesday, 9 November 2004, from 3.30 to 5.30 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The meeting will be presided over by Mr. Marco Balarezo (Peru), Chairman of the Second Committee. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

List of speakers

The list of speakers for all items allocated to the Second Committee is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to contact the secretariat of the Committee (Ms. Maria Theresa Olvida (tel. 1 (212) 963-8429; fax 1 (212) 963-5935; e-mail olvida@un.org)). Delegations are reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be submitted to Mr. Nikhil Seth, Secretary of the Second Committee (room S-2950C; fax 1 (212) 963-5935).

Third Committee

List of speakers

The list of speakers for the general discussion on agenda items 100, 103 and 104 is open (A/C.3/59/L.1/Rev.1). Delegations wishing to be inscribed are kindly requested to contact the Third Committee secretariat (Ms. Vivian Bonano (tel. 1 (212) 963-5973; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)). Delegations are also requested to submit the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers to the Secretary of the Third Committee, Mr. Moncef Khane (room S-2950; fax 1 (212) 963-5935).

Fifth Committee

The Fifth Committee will hold its 20th meeting on Thursday, 4 November 2004, at 9.30 a.m. in Conference Room 3. Informal consultations (closed) will be held following the adjournment of the 20th meeting and at 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

Sixth Committee

List of speakers

The list of speakers for all remaining items allocated to the Sixth Committee is open (A/C.6/59/L.1). Delegations wishing to be inscribed are kindly requested to contact the secretariat of the Sixth Committee (Ms. Nena Villena-Tanedo (tel. 1 (212) 963-5375; fax 1 (212) 963-1963; e-mail villena-tanedo@un.org)).

General Assembly

2004 United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities and 2004 United Nations/Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations Pledging Conference for the World Food Programme

The 2004 United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities and the 2004 United Nations/Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations Pledging Conference for the World Food Programme, will be held on Thursday, 11 November 2004, from 9.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and from 2.30 to 5.30 p.m. in Conference Room 2. It would be appreciated if delegations could submit the names of their representatives to the Pledging Conferences, in writing, to Ms. Sangeeta Sharma (fax 1 (212) 963-5935).

The list of speakers will be open from Wednesday, 3 November 2004. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to contact the secretariat of the Conference (Ms. Terri Olvida (fax 1 (212) 963-5935; or e-mail olvida@un.org).

Economic and Social Council

Informal "informals"

There will be informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Felix Mbayu (Cameroon), on "International cooperation in tax matters", item 13 (h), on Thursday, 4 November 2004, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room D.

Informal consultations

Informal consultations, convened by the President of the Economic and Social Council, H.E. Ms. Marjatta Rasi (Finland), will be held on Friday, 5 November 2004, at 10 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber, on the following issues before the resumed substantive session for 2004:

1. Implementation of and follow-up to major United Nations conferences and summits [6]

   (b) Review and coordination of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2001-2010

   Action on draft resolution contained in document E/2004/L.55

2. Regional cooperation . . . . . [10]

   Action on a draft proposal to change the venue of the twenty-third session of the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA)

3. Non-governmental organizations . . . . . [12]

   Action on draft decision V contained in document (E/2004/32 and statement of programme budget implications (E/2004/L.38))

4. Economic and environmental questions . . . . . [13]

   (a) Sustainable development

   Action on draft resolutions contained in documents E/2004/L.56 and E/2004/L.57

   (b) Science and technology

   Action on draft resolution I contained in document E/2004/31

   (h) International cooperation in tax matters (E/2004/51 and E/2004/L.40)

   Action on draft proposals

5. Coordination, programme and other questions . . . . . [7]

   (d) Long-term programme of support for Haiti

   Action on a draft proposal[1]

Resumed substantive session 2004

The Economic and Social Council will convene its 53rd meeting of its resumed substantive session 2004, on Friday, 5 November 2004, immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

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[1] To be issued.

Other forthcoming meetings

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Meeting of Legal Advisers of the States Parties to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court

There will be a meeting of the Legal Advisers of the States Parties to discuss matters relating to the International Criminal Court (ICC), on Thursday, 4 November 2004, from 9 to 9.45 a.m. in Conference Room D.

Eastern European Group *(Fifth Committee matters)*

There will be a meeting of the Eastern European Group *(Fifth Committee matters)* on Thursday, 4 November 2004, from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. in Conference Room 7.

Informal consultations on a Third Committee draft resolution entitled "Ad Hoc Committee on a Comprehensive and Integral International Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Rights and Dignity of Persons with Disabilities" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Mexico)

Informal consultations on a Third Committee draft resolution entitled "Ad Hoc Committee on a Comprehensive and Integral International Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Rights and Dignity of Persons with Disabilities", organized by the Permanent Mission of Mexico, will be held on Thursday, 4 November 2004, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room B.

Informal consultations on a Third Committee draft resolution entitled "Protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms while countering terrorism" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Mexico)

Informal consultations on a Third Committee draft resolution entitled "Protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms while countering terrorism", organized by the Permanent Mission of Mexico, will be held on Thursday, 4 November 2004, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room B.

Briefing on the International Meeting to Review the Implementation of the Barbados Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States (Mauritius, 10-14 January 2005) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Mauritius)

There will be a briefing on the International Meeting to Review the Implementation of the Barbados Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States (Mauritius, 10-14 January 2005), organized by the Permanent Mission of Mauritius, on Thursday, 4 November 2004, from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. Members of Permanent Missions are invited to attend.

UNITAR/OLA seminar on the deposit of treaty actions with the Secretary-General and registration of treaties

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the Treaty Section of the Office of Legal Affairs (OLA) are jointly conducting a seminar on the deposit of treaty actions with the Secretary-General and registration of treaties. The seminar will

be held on Tuesday and Wednesday, 9 and 10 November 2004, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. The programme of the seminar will be sent to registered participants. Delegates who wish to attend the seminar are requested to return the nomination form that has been faxed to their Permanent Mission by Thursday, 4 November. For further information, please contact the UNITAR Office (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196 or 963-9683).

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on cooperation between the United Nations and the Black Sea Economic Cooperation Organization (under agenda item 56 (d)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Georgia)

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on cooperation between the United Nations and the Black Sea Economic Cooperation Organization (under agenda item 56 (d)), organized by the Permanent Mission of Georgia), will be held on Friday, 5 November 2004, from 3 to 5 p.m. Conference Room D.

Briefing on the Sixth Global Forum on Reinventing Government (organized by the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Korea, in cooperation with the Division for Public Administration and Development Management, DESA)

There will be a briefing on the upcoming Sixth Global Forum on Reinventing Government (Seoul, 24-25 May 2005), organized by the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Korea, in cooperation with the Division for Public Administration and Development Management, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, on Thursday, 18 November 2004, from 2 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 7. Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Seok-hee Kang (tel. 1 (212) 439-4090; or e-mail shkang93@mofat.go.kr).

UNITAR workshop series on policy awareness and training in information technology

As part of the series on policy awareness and training in information technology, the third high-level seminar of this year on "Policy awareness and security issues in information technology", organized by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), will be held on Friday, 19 November 2004, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The seminar is part of the third annual series, presented under the auspices of the Working Group on Informatics and implemented with the active participation and sponsorship of the ICT Task Force and Intel Corporation. For further information please contact the UNITAR Office (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-3021 or 963-9196).

UNITAR workshops on information technology

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), the ICT Task Force and Intel Corporation jointly organize the 2004 Series entitled "Policy awareness and training in information technology" under the auspices of the Working Group on Informatics. The programme consists of a set of four progressive modules and one seminar presented as a cycle, which will be repeated four times throughout the year. The first four modules of each cycle focus on: (a) Introduction to computers and Windows 2000; (b) E-mail and Internet search basics; (c) Introduction to Microsoft Word 2000; and (d) Web-page design basics and usability techniques. The fifth module, conceived as an interactive seminar, covers policy and security issues in information technology. Cycle IV of the 2004 Series, to be conducted in English, will be held until Friday, 19 November 2004. For further information, please contact the UNITAR Office (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-3021 or 963-9196).

UNITAR workshop on international trade

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), in cooperation with the World Trade Organization (WTO), is organizing a workshop on international trade. The workshop, to be conducted in English, will be held in New York on Monday, 22 November, and on Tuesday, 23 November 2004, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 9. The workshop is intended primarily for members of Permanent Missions in New York. A letter on this subject, including a detailed information note and a nomination form, was addressed to all permanent missions in New York. The registration deadline is Friday, 19 November 2004. For further information, please contact the UNITAR office (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-3021 or 963-9196).

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Security Council

Daily informal briefings

As from Monday, 1 November 2004, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations, which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530.

Background information on a report of the Secretary-General

Background information on the report of the Secretary-General on the modalities, format and organization of the high-level plenary meeting of the sixtieth session of the General Assembly can be found on the United Nations Web site (www.un.org/SG).

Preparations for the forty-ninth session of the Commission on the Status of Women

In preparation for the forty-ninth session of the Commission on the Status of Women (28 February-11 March 2005), delegations are kindly invited to propose names of expert panellists to participate in two panel discussions on the following themes: (a) Addressing the linkages between the implementation of the Beijing Platform for Action and the outcome document of the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly and the internationally agreed development goals, including those contained in the Millennium Declaration: progress, gaps and challenges; and (b) Future perspectives on the promotion of gender equality: through the eyes of young women and men. Delegations are kindly requested to submit names and curricula vitae to the Division for the Advancement of Women (e-mail taylors@un.org and/or proppe@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-3463; room DC2-1268 or room DC2-1262), no later than *19 November 2004*, indicating the panel for which the expert(s) is (are) being nominated.

2004 Nairobi Summit on a Mine-Free World

Delegations are kindly informed that the list of speakers at the high-level segment on Thursday and Friday, 2 and 3 December 2004, at the First Review Conference of States Parties to the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-personnel Mines and on Their Destruction is now open. Delegations wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers are kindly requested to contact the Executive Secretariat at the Geneva Branch of the Department for Disarmament Affairs (tel. +41 (0) 22-917-5281 or 22-917-2281). Delegations are kindly asked to indicate the level of the representative as well as the preferred time-block for delivering their statement (i.e. 2 December, morning session, 2 December, afternoon session, or 3 December, morning session). Delegations are reminded that the allotted time for statements is 6 minutes.

Electronic notice boards for meetings

Electronic notice boards for meetings were recently installed in the General Assembly Lobby and at the garden level adjacent to the Cafe Austria to display updated information on scheduled meetings taking place at Headquarters. The Department for General Assembly and Conference Management would welcome feedback comments on the screens, which can be sent by logging on to http://emeets.un.org and using the feedback form, so that further adjustments can be made as necessary. The Department would also welcome comments sent to the same e-mail address on the terminology used, the quality of language services and improvement of other services provided to Member States.

International Meeting to Review the Implementation of the Barbados Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States

The High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States, in his capacity as the Secretary-General

of the Mauritius International Meeting, announces that as per General Assembly resolution 58/213B (A/RES/58/213B), the International Meeting to Review the Implementation of the Barbados Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States (Barbados+10) will take place from 10 to 14 January 2005 in Mauritius. The high-level segment will be held on 13 and 14 January 2005. If necessary, it was also decided that two days of informal consultations be held in Mauritius, on 8 and 9 January 2005, to facilitate preparations for the Meeting.

Summary of meetings

Tuesday, 2 November 2004

Security Council

5069th meeting *The situation in Guinea-Bissau*

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representative of Guinea-Bissau, at his request, to participate in the discussion of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the provisional rules of procedure of the Council.

The President made a statement on behalf of the Council (S/PRST/2004/41).

General Assembly

Fifty-ninth session

Main Committees

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

21st meeting *United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East* [75]

The Committee continued its general debate on this item and heard statements by the representatives of Japan, Malaysia, Morocco, Viet Nam, South Africa, Norway, Kuwait, Turkey, the Sudan, Bangladesh, Canada, the Netherlands (on behalf of the European Union; the candidate countries Bulgaria, Romania, Turkey and Croatia; the countries of the Stabilization and Association Process and potential candidates The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Serbia and Montenegro), Cuba, China, the United States and Israel.

The representative of the International Federation of the Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies made a statement.

The Commissioner-General of UNRWA made a closing statement.

The observer for Palestine made a statement in the exercise of the right of reply.

Organization of work

The Chairman reminded the Committee that the deadline for submission of draft proposal relating to both items 75 and 76 was Friday, 5 November, at 6 p.m.

Second Committee

22nd meeting

Globalization and interdependence . . . . . [87]

(a) Globalization and interdependence

(b) International migration and development

(c) Preventing and combating corrupt practices and transfer of funds of illicit origin and returning such assets to the countries of origin

(d) Culture and development

(e) Integration of the economies in transition into the world economy

The Committee continued its consideration of the item.

Statements were made by the representatives of Armenia, El Salvador, the Philippines, Cape Verde, Ukraine, Sri Lanka, Egypt, Venezuela and Zimbabwe.

Statements were also made by the observers for the International Organization for Migration and the Eurasian Economic Community.

Organization of work

A statement was made by the representative of Brazil, in which he made a correction to the statement he had delivered at the 21st meeting.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion under the item.

Macroeconomic policy questions . . . . . [83]

(a) International trade and development

(d) Commodities

Programme planning . . . . . [109]

Introduction and general discussion

The Committee began its joint consideration of the items.

The Vice-President of the Trade and Development Board and the Officer-in-Charge of UNCTAD made introductory statements.

In accordance with the provisions of General Assembly resolution 58/316, the Committee held a dialogue with the substantive representatives, in the course of which comments were made and questions were posed by the representatives of Egypt, Burkina Faso and Côte d'Ivoire and by the observer for the European Community, to which the Vice-President, Trade and Development Board and the Officer-in-Charge, UNCTAD, responded.

On the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee decided to approve the proposed strategic framework for the period 2006-2007 for Programme 10 (Trade and development) for submission to the Fifth Committee.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of item 109.

Third Committee

34th meeting

Advancement of women . . . . . [98]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.26

The representative of Qatar introduced and orally revised the draft resolution, on behalf of the Group of 77, China and Mexico.

Human rights questions: implementation of human rights instruments . . . . [105 (a)]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.31

The representative of Mexico introduced the draft resolution on behalf of the sponsors listed as well as Azerbaijan, El Salvador, Indonesia, Nicaragua, Paraguay, Peru, Senegal and Uruguay.

Human rights questions . . . . . [105]

(b) Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms

(c) Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives

(e) Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights

The Committee continued its general discussion of the sub-items and heard statements by the representatives of Liechtenstein, Cyprus, Argentina, Indonesia, Colombia, Nigeria, Greece, Qatar, Malaysia, Switzerland, Mexico, Cuba, Lebanon, Uganda, the Syrian Arab Republic, Armenia, Togo, Bangladesh and Venezuela, as well as by the observer for Palestine.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of sub-items 105 (b), (c) and (e).

Right of reply

Statements in the exercise of the right of reply were made by the representatives of Myanmar, Turkey, Israel, Azerbaijan, Cyprus, Greece and Armenia, and by the observer for Palestine.

Sixth Committee

18th meeting

Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its fifty-sixth session [144]

The Committee continued its consideration of agenda item 144.

Statements were made by the representatives of Canada, Germany, Brazil, India, Japan, the Islamic Republic of Iran, the United Kingdom, Guatemala, France, Slovenia, Austria, Spain, Gabon, Mexico and the Republic of Korea.

Summary of meetings held away from Headquarters

Friday, 29 October 2004

International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights

Human Rights Committee
Eighty-second session
United Nations Office at Geneva

2243rd meeting (closed) *Consideration of communications under Optional Protocol to the Covenant* . . . . [9]

The Committee considered the item.

2244th meeting (closed) The country report task forces met to consider the lists of issues on Iceland, Mauritius and Greece.

Monday, 1 November 2004

2245th meeting (closed) The Committee considered the concluding observations on Albania.

2246th meeting (closed) *Follow-up to concluding observations on State reports and to views under the Optional Protocol* . . . . . [7]

The Committee had before it a report on the item.

Tuesday, 2 November 2004

2247th meeting (closed) *Consideration of communications under Optional Protocol to the Covenant* . . . . [9]

The Committee considered the item.

2248th meeting (closed) The Committee considered the concluding observations on Benin.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Convention on the Recovery Abroad of Maintenance. New York, 20 June 1956

Accession: Seychelles (1 November 2004)[1]

United Nations Convention against Corruption. New York, 31 October 2003

Ratification: Romania (2 November 2004)[1]

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

OLA/UNITAR Seminar on the Deposit of Treaty Actions with the Secretary-General and the Registration of Treaties

United Nations Headquarters, 9 and 10 November 2004

The above seminar, sponsored by the Office of Legal Affairs of the Secretariat (OLA) and the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), will take place on 9 and 10 November 2004 at United Nations Headquarters in New York.

The objective of the two-day seminar is to provide an overview of the deposit of treaty actions with the Secretary-General and the registration of treaties. The seminar is designed essentially to meet the needs of members of the permanent missions and representatives from capitals, and other personnel, in particular, legal counsellors and advisors, dealing with matters of treaty law, or specifically involved with the preparation of treaty actions with regard to multilateral treaties and with the registration of treaties pursuant to Article 102 of the United Nations Charter. Assistance and guidance will also be provided on the domestic aspects of participation in multilateral treaties.

The seminar is based on the Treaty Handbook, which was developed and published by the Treaty Section of OLA. The Treaty Handbook is a practical guide to the depositary practice of the Secretary-General and the registration requirements of the Secretariat. It is designated to serve as a tool for Member States, secretariats of international organizations and legal practitioners.

For more information about the seminar, please contact the Treaty Section of the Office of Legal Affairs (tel. 1 (212) 963-5047; fax 1 (212) 963-3693; e-mail treaty@un.org). Information Notes and Nomination Forms will be transmitted to the Permanent Missions accredited to the United Nations in New York by UNITAR shortly.

Other announcements

DPI/NGO briefing

This week, the topic of the DPI/NGO briefing will be "The persistence of slavery: A focus on human trafficking" (in observance of the International Year to Commemorate the Struggle against Slavery and Its Abolition). The briefing will be held on Thursday, 4 November 2004, from 10 to 11.30 a.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium. Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff and representatives of the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Signe Glahn, NGO Section, Department of Public Information (tel. 1 (212) 963-8318; e-mail section1d@un.org).

Secretary-General's Lecture Series

The next lecture in the Secretary-General's Lecture Series will be given by Professor Leon Botstein, President of Bard College and music director and principal conductor of the American Symphony Orchestra, on the topic "Why music matters". The lecture will be held on Monday, 8 November 2004, from 1.25 to 2.45 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact the Strategic Planning Unit, Executive Office of the Secretary-General (tel. 1 (212) 963-2045).

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